



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Karel van den BERG

Appl. No. 09/855,535

Filed: May 16, 2001

For: IMPLEMENT FOR AUTOMATICALLY
DETACHING AND DISPLACING AN
AMOUNT OF FEED, SUCH AS, FOR
EXAMPLE, SILAGE OR HAY

Art Unit: 3643

Examiner: Bethany L. Griles

Atty. Docket: 04132.0099.00US00

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO REVIVE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

- 1) I, Frans, J.A. de Groen, am the representative of the Assignee of the above-referenced application and have been responsible for the prosecution of the application since March 2003;
- 2) our previous U.S. patent counsel, Mr. Penrose Albright, died late last year;
- 3) we were informed of Mr. Albright's death by letter from his son. This letter further informed us that the entire law firm would, because of Mr. Albright's death, be dissolved immediately;
- 4) review of the patent applications being handled by Mr. Albright reveals that Mr. Albright did not respond to an outstanding Election/Restriction Requirement issued in the above-referenced application and that this application went abandoned; and
- 5) the entire delay in filing the required reply to the Election/Restriction Requirement from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed herewith, was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: February 28, 2008